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From: *The Stewards*

To: Competitor car No 206 Name: **TOYOTA GAZOO RACING**
Crew: **Seth QUINTERO / Dennis ZENZ**

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The Stewards, having received a report from the FIA Technical Delegate (Doc 6.5), having heard the Competitor Representatives (Mr. Jordi DURAN and Mr. Uwe SCHMIDT), having considered the matter, determine the following:

Fact: During Stage 4, the weight of 1 wheel of competitor #206 was weighed under the minimum weight defined in the Art. 285-11.6 of 2024 ISC Appendix J.

Offence: Breach of Art. 285-11.6 of the Appendix J of FIA 2024 ISC.

Decision: **To impose a fine penalty of 20000 EUR on Competitor Car No 206 TOYOTA GAZOO RACING,**

10000 EUR of which is applied with suspension of sentence until the end of the season of WRC 2024 subject to no further breach of similar nature committed by the competitor during this period.

In accordance with Article 12.8 of the 2024 FIA International Sporting Code, the payment of the fines must be done online, within 48 hours of their notification, at the following address: <https://fiafines.fia.com> or by means of any mode of payment. Any delay in making payment may entail suspension during the period the fine remains unpaid.

Reason: During Stage 4, the minimum weight of the wheels of several Ultimate vehicles was checked. After the finish of SS5, 2 wheels of the competitor #206, selected randomly, were sealed. The crew was made aware of it.

Once the car arrived at the Bivouac, both complete wheels were brought to the BF Goodrich service by the team, where the tires were removed from the wheels, so that their weight can be checked. The measurements showed 0,0165 kg underweight for 1 wheel. The second wheel was found compliant.

According to Art. 285-11.6 of the Appendix J of FIA 2024 ISC:

“Only wheels made from aluminium alloy and weighing more than 12 kg are authorised.”

During the hearing, the Competitor Representatives admitted the fact. They declared that they initially weighed a rim from the manufacturer to check the weight, but then they are not weighing every single new rim coming directly from the manufacturer.

Stewards cannot oblige the Competitor to choose a specific method that ensures compliance with technical regulations. Although the representatives explained that they do not weigh each rim received from the manufacturer, but this is the choice of the Competitor himself. The Competitor must ensure compliance with the regulations in a way that is acceptable to the Competitor himself. Otherwise, all the consequences fall on the Competitor himself.



The Stewards conclude that this is a breach of Art. 285-11.6 of the Appendix J of FIA 2024 ISC.

When deciding on the penalty to be imposed, the stewards consider it appropriate to impose a fine in this case. In suspending a part of the fine, Stewards want to encourage the Competitor to make every possible effort not to breach the established regulations in the future.

The decision is based on the 2024 FIA International Sporting Code Art. 11.9.1., Art. 11.9.3.a, Art. 11.9.3.f, Art. 12.4.1.c, Art. 12.4.6

Competitors are reminded of their right to appeal certain decisions of the Stewards, in accordance with Article 15 of the FIA International Sporting Code and Chapter 4 of the FIA Judicial and Disciplinary Rules, within the applicable time limits.

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Competitor: **TOYOTA GAZOO RACING**

Vehicle No: 206

Crew: **Seth QUINTERO / Dennis ZENZ**

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Signature: *Seth*

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